HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 7013

By Barker

A RESOLUTION to recognize Sammy Snead on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Sammy Snead is one such estimable person who served with distinction for forty-four years as a proud and respected employee of the Gibson Electric Membership Corporation; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Snead took his much deserved retirement in August; and
WHEREAS, Sammy Snead is an active and important part of his community and his
profession; and; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Snead embarked upon his long and storied career with Gibson Electric Membership Corporation two weeks after he graduated from Obion County Central High School. In his early days with the corporation, he served as a groundman and, in 1967, earned an apprenticeship; and

WHEREAS, it was in 1972 that Sammy Snead was promoted to First Class Lineworker and, in 1990, he was promoted again, this time to the position of Line Crewleader, the position he held until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, during his more than four decades of serving the electrical needs of the good people of Crockett, Dyer, Gibson, Haywood, Lake, Lauderdale, Madison, and Obion Counties, Mr. Snead has seen many changes to his industry, including the installation of the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition System and the addition of twenty-four-hour

dispatching services, which enable the good men and women of Gibson Electric Membership Corporation; and

WHEREAS, Sammy Snead exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, during his retirement, Mr. Snead is enjoying spending time with his wife, Mary Lee, a retired teacher's aide; his children, Sammy Jr., an Obion County deputy sheriff, and Kirk, a foreman with Union City Electric System; his grandchildren, Savannah and Houston; and his church family; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Sammy Snead has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Sammy Snead our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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